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Hongkong, November 14, 1909. 1424

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

A Chinaman found searching for frogs by
the aid of a lamp was charged at the Mag-
istrate's Court today with being a rogue and vag-
abond and was remanded.

For stealing a leather pocket-book from
the Kowloon agent of the M.B.K. an office
boy was convicted at the Magistrate's Court to-
day but discharged with a caution by Mr E. R.
Hallifax.

SPEED OF WILD DUCKS.

In Dead Calm They Average 58
Miles an Hour.

My observations were made with mallard
and widgeon just off the sea, and coming
in at the evening flight, such birds not hav-
ing got fully under way, having traveled
about two miles or a mile and a half,
according to the state of the tide. The
times varied from 10 1/2 miles an hour in the
teeth of a breeze to 190 miles an hour
with half a gale driving them forward, their
speed with a full gale being below this.

In a dead calm they average 58 miles an
hour, but as I have mentioned, they were
not travelling at top speed. Other species
of ducks fly much faster than this, the speed
of a merganser going down wind being
something terrific, and if I mentioned my
rough calculations made as to this speed
with a stiff breeze behind him no one would
believe me, so I will refrain from doing so.
One day in March, when a fresh breeze
was blowing down the Bay Sound in
Orkney, mergansers were lost sight of in
five seconds after passing the point upon
which I was sitting. They are without
doubt the fastest of our web-footed birds,
although other of the diving ducks, such
as the golden-eye, fly at an enormous
velocity.

The speed at which birds are travelling
is very deceptive; for instance, swallows
appear to be going very fast but rarely
attain a speed of 30 miles an hour, whereas
wild geese appear to be travelling very
slowly when seen at a distance, but are
then passing over you at dawn about fifty
yards overhead and their wings look like
flywheels, giving the appearance
of huge bats in the half-light, so fast are
their wings vibrating. A correspondent to
The Scotsman.

According to dispatches from St.
Petersburg a Bill has been presented to
the Duma that provides that legislation in
regard to Finland, except in connection
with purely local affairs, shall be voted in
the Imperial Legislature. The Finnish diet
will elect one member to the Council of
the Empire and five representatives to the
Duma. Dispatches from Helsingfors state
that the Absorption Bill, under which all
legislation not dealing with purely local
affairs would be voted in the imperial
Legislature, has been received calmly,
although it is generally regarded as a final
assault on the liberties of Finland.

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AND
In the Matter of the Companies Ordinance
No. 1 of 1885.

THE Petition for an Order confirming
the Special Resolution herein reducing
the Capital of the above-named Company
to \$300,000 having been heard before the
Supreme Court of Hongkong, and the
Special Resolution having been duly con-
firmed by the said Court, NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that the sum of \$3
as Capital will be returned and paid on 6th
April, 1910, to all Shareholders (standing
on the register) of the value of the shares
of \$10 each and \$5 bonus to all Shareholders
(standing on the register) of shares of the
value of \$1 each on the 6th day of April,
1910. The Register will be CLOSED on
the 7th day of April, 1910, and the 6th day
of April, 1910. All Shareholders must
produce their Scrip for endorsement upon
making application for payment as above.
Dated this 4th day of April, 1910.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

NOTICE.

I, **NG KAI**, Secretary and Manager of
the SEE YUP STEAMSHIP COM-
PANY, LIMITED, hereby give notice that
in consequence of the opinion of the above
said Company desiring that the name of
the S.S. 'TAK HING' be changed to 'HING
LEE' I have applied to the Board of
Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant
Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship
'TAK HING' aforesaid of Hongkong, official
number 109874, of gross tonnage 617 tons,
register (tonnage) 337 tons, heretofore owned
by the SEE YUP S.S. COMPANY,
LIMITED, whose registered office is at 29,
Connaught Road West, Victoria, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for permission to
change her name to 'HING LEE' aforesaid
and to have her registered in the new
name at the Port of Hongkong, as owned
by The See Yup Steamship Company,
Limited, aforesaid.
Any objections to the proposed change
must be sent to the Registrar of
Shipping at Hongkong within seven days
from the appearance of this Advertisement.
Hongkong, April 1, 1910.

**UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LTD.****NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Society will
be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's
Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY,
the 13th April, 1910, Noon, for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report of the Direc-
tors together with the Statement of
Account to 31st December, 1909, and of
declaring Dividends, etc.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society
will be CLOSED from 3rd April to the
12th April, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 23, 1910.

**CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO.,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Company will
be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's
Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY,
the 24th April, 1910, at 12.30 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with the Statement of Account to
31st December, 1909, and of
declaring Dividends, etc.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 3rd April to the
12th April, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 23, 1910.

INVENTIONS OF THE FUTURE.

Under this heading, Thomas A. Edison's
forecast of the manner in which we may be
going to solve some of our present industrial
and scientific problems is published in The
Independent in the form of an interview
with Mr. Edison, who afterwards, it is stated,
revised and corrected the manuscript. The
article runs, in part, as follows:

"Among the many problems which
await solution in the future, one of the
most important is to get the full value out
of fuel. The wastefulness of our present
methods of combustion is tremendous. A
pound of coal has enough energy in it to
carry itself around the world. We are able
to extract only a small fraction of its heat
and power; the greater part goes to waste.
Our best steam-engines use about 15 per
cent. of the energy of the coal they con-
sume. With gas-engines probably 20 to
25 per cent. of the energy is utilized.

"There are various methods being tried
out to convert coal directly into electricity
without the use of a boiler—eliminating
fire and steam. Some of these are oxida-
tion methods. They are scientifically
successful, though not yet commercially
successful. Oxidation is, of course, a form
of combustion. It is slow burning. The
only difference between rusting, burning,
and exploding is the speed of the chemical
reaction. Explosives burn very fast, and
though they are used to some extent as fuel
in the propulsion of torpedoes, they are not
economical. There is not as much power in
a ton of 40 per cent. dynamite as there is
in a ton of coal. Everything in nature
would burn up if it were not for the fact
that nearly everything except coal is al-
ready burned up. Iron would burn and
make a good fuel—if in a very fine powder
—but it has already been consumed in
Nature's furnace. Coal is stored-up sun-
light; it is the storage battery of the sun,
to which we owe about all our energy.

"We may discover the germ of getting
all the power from fuel to-morrow; and
then again it may take a long time to find
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"Radium has great power. It has no
appreciable limit or end. It is not com-
bustible. It gives off intra-atomic energy.
We don't know how its energy was stored
up. A carload of radium would have as
much energy as all the millions of tons of
coal mined in the United States in a year.
Radium is the cause of the earth's heat,
according to the view of most scientists
to-day. That explains why the earth
constantly radiating vast quantities of heat
into space, doesn't cool down. The planet
would be pretty chilly after all these mil-
lions of years if it had no radium in it.
While only small quantities of radium have
been isolated, it exists everywhere, in water,
rock, and soil; it is universally distributed,
and a little of it goes a long way. The
possibility of harnessing this force for our
use is somewhat of a speculation. A radium
clock has been made, and it will go several
hundred years without winding.

"I have a spintharoscope, which is a tiny
bit of radium, of a size that will go through
the eye of a needle, mounted over a piece
of millimetre. It has been shooting off
millions of sparks for the six years that I
have had it, and I expect it will be shooting
sparks the same way for thousands of
years. There will be enough sparks given
out by that fragment of radium to cover
and illuminate the State of Rhode Island.
Some say they travel at the speed of
light, others 12,000 miles a second. This
speed, the source of radium's power,
infinite velocity makes up for lack of
mass.

"Radium is found along with uranium
and thorium. Some day we might find
immense deposits of it, and then it will be
a problem how to handle it without danger-
ous consequences. A large quantity of the
stuff would kill everybody around. A fellow
shot up with 17,000,000 atomic cannon
balls poured into him with the velocity of
light would feel uncomfortable.

"Besides its mechanical possibilities
radium is valuable, it is said, in the treat-
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TUESDAY, April 7:—

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SATURDAY, April 9:—

9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, April 13:—

Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1910.

LIQUOR REBATE TO THE

MILITARY.

THE time has arrived for the payment of the second rebate, payable under the Liquors Ordinance to soldiers and sailors stationed in this Colony, and on enquiry, we find that the sum of eight dollars is being paid to all Warrant and N. C. officers who are mess members, and the sum of four dollars to all junior N. C. O's and men. It was not to be expected that any system of rebate could be found which would meet with the approval of all concerned, but the present system seems to be grossly unfair, whether it be considered from the drinkers' point of view, or with regard to the junior ranks who have to be content with half the sum which is being paid to those of superior ratings. The only argument which could be advanced to justify the present system would seemingly be that, as those of superior ratings get larger pay, they are the more likely to spend it in increased ratio on alcoholic liquors than those in lower positions; but, if this were so, then it would only be natural to suppose that the wage-earning status of the various corps would be taken into consideration, and that, as Sappers of the Royal Engineers can, according to the rates published in the Pay Warrant, earn the same amount as Sergeants of Infantry regiments, then the rebate paid to Infantry Sergeants would likewise be paid to Sappers.

It is not our intention to advocate that this system should be adopted, but rather to show that payment according to rank is one for which no sound argument can be adduced, and further to suggest that, had the principle underlying the present system been understood by the members of the Legislative Council, a free hand as now obtained would not have been given to the Military Authorities in this matter.

The rebate question was first discussed in Council when an amendment to the Liquors Ordinance was moved by Colonel DILLON (the Officer Commanding the Troops) on 19th September, 1907,

when, in introducing the amendment, he said he thought perhaps the Colony would take into consideration "the fact that soldiers had to go where they were sent. They were drawing very little money; he did not suppose any of them were making over 8/- a week; and they had no opportunities of making fortunes, or getting away if they did not like the place." Now presumably the rebate was asked for to compensate those who were not making over 8/- a week; but we find that already the two payments made have shown the same result; that it is not the man with 8/- a week who is reaping the benefit but the seniors who—whatever their pay may be in proportion to other classes cut here—are much better paid than those for whose benefit the rebate was really intended. Another point which is worthy of attention is that those who are making the benefit by drawing the maximum amount are not those who are the most likely to spend money on liquor, for in the Army, as in other professions, those who gain promotion are men of abstemious habits. This point, however, leads to what would seem to be the greatest injustice in the present system. No matter how great or how small an amount the soldier spends on liquor, all receive alike in their respective classes, so that the mess member who spends nothing on drink receives double the amount of the junior who may spend his all. The point is that the present system, has now been tried for six months and has been found wanting and we consider the time has arrived for the Legislative Council to reconsider the "question as a remedy can easily be found" by deleting the clause in the Ordinance which provides that no part of the rebate shall be used to cheapen the price of liquor in Regimental canteens. His Excellency the Governor, replying to one of the members of the Council, said that the main object of this clause was to check drinking by persons other than soldiers and sailors in Canteens and Messes. At the same time, however, he was assured by the military member that the precaution was unnecessary as outsiders could not be served in these places. Apparently the remedy lies in suppressing the clause quoted, and thus allowing Tommy Atkins to buy his beer at former rates. If this were done we are certain that it would nip in the bud any nascent discontent. The present system certainly is extremely faulty and is working out very differently to what the Legislative Council expected when it made its handsome concession to both Services in the matter of their beer, wine and spirits.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The University of Liverpool has decided to confer the degree of doctor of law on Mr. John Burns.

The engagement has been announced of Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, formerly in command of the China Station, and Viscountess Chelsea (a daughter of the first Lord Alington).

Triloch Fushimi, senior, and Baron Ours, Minister for Agriculture and Commerce, arrived this morning by the s.s. Kleist en route to England and spent the morning sight-seeing in the city.

The will of the late Mr. John Cory, J.P., Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Monmouth, has been proved. His estate valued at £769,000, and out of this he has bequeathed a sum of £10,000 to be divided among his work-people.

Another old China hand has passed away in the person of Mr. W. G. Bayne, who died at East Croydon on March 27th. At the time of his death "Willie" Bayne was manager of the North China Insurance Co., Ltd., in London, having left Shanghai in 1908, where he had been secretary of the Company. He had previously served them at Yokohama and Singapore. Mr. Bayne was popular wherever he went, and as an after-dinner speaker he had few equals in the Far East. He was at one time Secretary of the Shanghai Race Club, and of the Amateur Dramatic Club, and was President of the latter up to the time of his departure from Shanghai. He was Chairman of the Council in 1902, and always took an active interest in local affairs.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The British School at Kowloon has been re-opened after having been closed during an epidemic of measles.

Dr. A. P. Wilder was the principal speaker at the decennial celebration of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at Shanghai.

Lieut. Colonel Chamber and Officers of the R.G.A. will be "at home" at the U.S.R.C., Kowloon, on Wednesday on the occasion of their regimental sports.

The contract for the Szeow water-works was signed on March 31. Messrs. Leigh and Orango of Hongkong obtained the contract, the price being \$500,000.

Five thousand pesos, remaining from the 1910 Carnival fund, will be used to construct the building and gather exhibits from Manila for next year's Carnival at Manila.

The Scotsman states: "Despite official assurances the health of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, is causing anxiety. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is suffering from an affection of the facial nerve and is aging rapidly."

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
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There were 438 European and 195 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 189 European and 2,478 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ended 2nd April (exclusive of Easter Monday when the doors were closed).

After being in operation for less than a year the Children's Anti-smoking League, which was formed in 1908, has proved so successful that the recently flourishing Anti-Cigarette League has now terminated its existence. After organized inspection and enquiry it has been found that juvenile smoking has been practically stamped out.

Kidnapping is still rife in the Colony and the police are kept busy dealing with cases. There were three charges of the kind at the Magistracy to-day. In one of the cases a man and a woman were arrested after having sold a small boy at Canton, while in another instance two men were taken into custody while in unlawful possession of another child. All the cases were remanded.

It will cost us \$15,000,000 cash and \$7,000,000 a year to support the Laurier party. When the thing is done it will be serviceable neither to the Empire nor to us. It will not be able to face a battleship, and the best that is said for it by its friends is that it will be swift, and will be able to elude the enemy. What sense is there in paying \$7,000,000 a year for a fleet that can do nothing but run away?—*Mail and Empire.*

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have made an appeal for men and funds to send into the Canadian West. Fifty missionaries are to be sent there annually during the next ten years, if sufficient support can be obtained. Other religious communities are doing noble work in this field. Rich and flourishing as the West is, there is no danger that the character of its people will be left to the shaping of influences that are entirely material.

Copenhagen is a city of 500,000 inhabitants. During a week's stay I have seen no seller of matches or bootlaces, no gutter merchant, no blind or other afflicted persons about the streets asking for alms—not one single sign of distress due to poverty. I have explored the artisan's quarters by day and late at night. There is not a single spot in the whole of Copenhagen that could be compared even remotely to the slums in our large towns. There are no unemployed hanging about the street corners, no unkempt women standing idly at the door, no ragged and dirty children playing in the gutter. There are no dirty houses, with dirty or broken windows, mended with bits of paper, and ragged apron or a torn bed-cloth doing duty for a curtain—Denmark lotter in London.

EMPIRE CINEMATOGRAPH THEATRE.

Patrons of the popular Victoria Cinematograph flock in large numbers to the new Empire Cinematograph Theatre on Monday evening, for the occasion of the grand opening. The proprietors, Messrs. Ramos and Ramos, certainly had arranged a very excellent programme and this, combined with the attractive appearance of the new and spacious theatre, was more than sufficient to drive away dull care and sorrow. The stage and scenery are works of art and alone are highly creditable to the proprietors, and their capable manager, Mr. Gonzalez. Everything has been arranged for comfort and convenience while the building is in progress. In addition to the new and magnificent films shown, a number of interesting local views were thrown on the screen. Miss Maggie Fraser was very entertaining in her songs and dances and was recalled, while Miss Jessie Lee, balladist, and Mr. Tim Howard, eccentric dancer, kept the immense house in excellent good humour. Master Ferry, too, was very sweet in his songs and dances and came in for his due share of appreciation. Another P. S. Blaisdell was in charge of the musical arrangements, which left nothing to be desired.

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

Chamber Music Concert.

Members of the above Society appeared in a somewhat new "dior" at the City Hall last night, when a selected number gave a chamber music concert to the delight of a large and most appreciative audience, which included His Excellency the Governor (Sir F. J. D. Lugard) and a party from Government House. It was a most happy idea on the part of Mr. Denman Fuller, the Society's enthusiastic conductor, to arrange such a delightful musical treat, for there can be no doubt that a programme of the kind submitted, so full of choice, tuneful numbers, comes as an agreeable change to a long and ponderous work, magnificent though the latter may be. In the realm of music as elsewhere variety is eminently desirable. Last night's concert was marked by the fact that it was the last to be given prior to the going home, on leave of Mr. Denman Fuller, whose arduous work on behalf of the Society was appropriately recognized, when, during the interval, His Excellency the Governor, amidst loud applause, headed the worthy conductor, on behalf of the members of the Society a beautiful silver cigar box. His Excellency referred to Mr. Denman Fuller's indefatigable labours as conductor of the Society for three years and then made the presentation. In reply, Mr. Denman Fuller expressed thanks for this unexpected expression of the Society's appreciation of his efforts and said if he had been able to do anything for the cause of music in Hongkong he was more than gratified.

Coming to the concert itself, it may be stated that every single item was well-nigh faultlessly presented. The choral work was distinctly impressive, the method of selecting a perfectly balanced body of vocalists to sing the items unaccompanied being abundantly justified by the results. Generally speaking the great fault of Philharmonic Societies is an inequality in parts, and so it was most gratifying that for such delicate pieces as figured in last night's programme there should be steps taken to prevent this weakness from making its presence felt. The first item rendered was Barnby's pretty madrigal "Phoebus," which was sung in perfect taste, but undoubtedly the most ambitious piece undertaken was Gaul's setting in six parts to Longfellow's beautiful words, "A wind came up out of the sea." This, a most difficult part song, was surprisingly well rendered, remembering the comparative smallness of the chorus, a most tasty piece of song with a beautiful melody. It was Barnby's "The Dawn of Day," given with capital expression, while the Spanish chorus, "Seguidilla," with accompaniments for percussion instruments and piano, was sung with great gusto. In this item Mrs. Cousins was at the piano. Mr. J. G. Barlow and the triangle, Mr. W. Anderson the tambourine and Mr. G. S. Tuxford the castanets.

Before mentioning the soloists a word must be written of the magnificent rendering of "Elegy" by The Society's vocal trio, sung by Mrs. Cousins, Mrs. Goldsmith and Mrs. Gordon. This was without doubt one of the most attractive numbers of the evening, the lofty conceptions of the composer being finely translated by the vocalists, whose voices blended perfectly. This was one of the best balanced trios we have heard for many a year, and an encore was inevitable.

Hongkong has received a notable addition to its rank of vocalists in Mrs. Schofield, who on making her debut in the Colony, was given a downy and enthusiastic welcome. The possessor of a magnificent voice, well trained and of remarkably mellow quality, she delighted the audience in both her numbers and was twice encored. First she displayed her powers in the old favourite, "Hallelujah," singing as an unaccompanied soloist, and then in a vocal trio, sung by Mrs. Cousins, Mrs. Goldsmith and Mrs. Gordon. This was without doubt one of the most attractive numbers of the evening, the lofty conceptions of the composer being finely translated by the vocalists, whose voices blended perfectly. This was one of the best balanced trios we have heard for many a year, and an encore was inevitable.

It should be added that Mr. Fuller as conductor always had his forces well under control, and that Mrs. Cousins was a most sympathetic accompanist.

The selected chorus, was constituted as follows:—Supranos—Mrs. Ayris, Mrs. Bellamy-Brown, Lady Fayer, Mrs. Gibby, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. E. Jones, Mrs. King, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. W. J. Williams, Mrs. Young; contraltos—Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. R. H. Cousins, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. H. H. Cousins, Mrs. L. Cousins, Mrs. E. D. Ayris, Mrs. A. L. Nairn, Eng. Com. W. Bunde, R.N., Mr. R. H. Wharbird, Mr. E. T. Williams; basses—Mr. W. Armstrong, Mr. F. K. Brownrigg, Mr. H. B. L. Dowling, Mr. F. A. Earle, Mr. C. K. Lloyd, R.N.

On severing his connection with the firm of Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co., with whom he has been for the past eight years, Mr. A. E. Crappell was last night entertained at a farewell dinner by his former colleagues. Mr. H. Reeves presided, the dinner taking place in the Moss Room and being largely attended, the company including a number of guests. Tributes were paid to Mr. Crappell's conscientiously rendered services and regrets expressed at his departure from the firm he has so well served. Mr. Crappell takes up an important position with Messrs. R. S. Kadoorie and Company.

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EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

POPE REFUSES TO RECEIVE HIM.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail).

London, April 4.

The Pope refused to receive ex-President Roosevelt unless he undertook not to attend Vatican susceptibilities.

Like Mr. Fairbanks, the ex-President of the United States whom Pius X recently refused to receive after he had addressed a meeting at the Methodist College in Rome, Mr. Roosevelt declined to limit his freedom of action.

IRISH TERMS.

MR. REDMOND OUTLINES NATIONALIST POLICY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail).

London, April 4.

Mr. John Redmond, speaking at Tipperary, declared that the Nationalists were completely in union with the Government in the anti-veto plan of campaign, and prophesied that the resolutions would be carried by a majority of a hundred. He reiterated his previous utterance that the Budget must not leave the control of the Commons until the decision of the House of Lords on the veto resolutions was known. If the Government gave assurances to this effect, and also that they would not retain office after the Lords had rejected the resolution unless they had secured guarantees from the Crown, then the Nationalists could discuss concessions with a view to making the Budget tolerable to Ireland. He concluded with the warning that, however the crisis of the moment went, an election would be certain in the near future.

DELAYED TELEGRAMS.

Owing to some unexplained reason our usual afternoon supply of Reuter's telegraphic news had not come to hand up to the time of going to Press.—Ed., C.M.

GAMBLING ON BANK PREMISES.

It has been the habit of a large crowd of Chinese for some time past to utilize the basement of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for the purposes of gambling, the favourite game being *negu pai*, a Chinese domino game. Yesterday Inspector Munson suddenly pounced in upon the gang and arrested 33, who were charged at the Magistracy this morning. The two first charged as keepers, were fined \$100 each and each of the remainder was ordered to pay \$4.

THE NEXT POPE.

There are many who believe that if Pius X. dies after nine years of Pontificate, as he says himself he will, his successor will be Cardinal Rampolla. The Pope has a secret feeling that his election only postponed that of Cardinal Rampolla, and last night he should, again prevent the Sicilian throne from mounting the Pontifical throne he specially abolishes it, and threatened with excommunication any Cardinal who dares to exercise the right of veto in the Conclave.

Cardinal Rampolla's former enemies who opposed his election to Pope are now his friends and supporters. They consider him to be the only member of the Sacred College who is worthy of the time, and they are convinced that under his Pontificate France will be reconciled to the Church. Cardinal Rampolla for the last seven years has lived in seclusion, and he studiously abstains from taking an active part in the government of the Church. He may be reconciled to his exclusion from the Papacy, and he may be merely waiting for his time to come.

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PRINCE TSO'S JAPAN VISIT.

("Independent News Agency's" Service to the China Mail).

Tokyo, April 5.

Prince Tso Tsai was entertained to a banquet at the Elina Imperial Palace last night. Amongst those present were Prince Kaian, Prince Asaka and the Premier (Marquis Katsumi). Prince Tso will pay a visit to both Houses of the Imperial Diet to-day.

YALU RIVER BRIDGE.

CHINA-JAPANESE AGREEMENT.

("Independent News Agency's" Service to the China Mail).

Tokyo, April 5.

An agreement was yesterday signed at Mukden by Japanese and Chinese delegates regarding the construction of a bridge across the Yalu River. The agreement provides that the work is to be carried out as previously planned, and is to be completed at the same time as the Antung-Mukden Railway reconstruction.

TANG SHAO-YI.

PROBABLE MINISTER TO PARIS.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service).

Peking, April 4.

A telegram has been sent to H. E. Tang Shao-Yi, who is at present in the country, requesting him to return to Peking. It is intended to appoint him Minister to Paris.

COLLEGE FOR GIRLS OF ROYALTY.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service).

Peking, April 4.

The Empress Dowager has advised the Prince Regent to establish a College for the girls of the Royal families.

PLOT ON PRINCE REGENT.

BOX OF DYNAMITE FOUND.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service).

Peking April 4.

On the 2nd inst a small box was discovered in the Prince Regent's palace, and it is now stated that its contents were dynamite.

THE WESTPOINT ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.

The Indian watchman who was seriously

stabbed as a sequel to the attempted armed robbery at Des Vaux Road West and who was admitted into hospital in consequence thereof, has been operated on but is not expected to recover.

The two defendants were brought up to the Magistracy to-day, one of whom pleaded guilty to being in possession of arms with intent to rob and also to stabbing the Indian but not with intent to murder. The other man pleaded not guilty to robbery. Both were remanded.

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SPORTING.

The Calendar.

Wednesday, April 6.
Athletics.—R.C.A. sports, U.S.R. ground.

Saturday, April 9.
Boxing.—Tournament at City Hall.
Football.—H.R.F.C. Dinner, Hongkong Hotel.

Sunday, April 10.
Racing.—Gymkhana Club's 1st meeting; Raccours.

Sunday, April 17.
Yachting.—Royal H.K. Yacht Club Handicap and One Design Class racing; 11.30 and 11.40 a.m.; distance, 15½ miles.

Lawn Tennis.

There were a number of ties played off in connection with the Hongkong C.C. tennis tournament last evening, the results being:—

"A" CLASS SINGLES.

Dr. F. Gono (own 5/6) beat Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson (own 15) 6/0, 6/1.

Capt. G. T. Brierley (own 15/4) beat L. de Breton (own 5/6) 5/4, 1/3, 8/4.

The latter game was a most interesting one, and although Brierley secured one game more than his opponent on the total. The first set was noticeable for some capital play, while in the second Brierley was quite outplayed. In the last set the military man resorted to defensive tactics by continually "lobbing," and had he not done this he would probably have been beaten. As it was the match was spoiled from a point of view of good tennis.

"B" CLASS SINGLES.

Second Round.
P. H. Kilmann and C. A. Carr (own 30/2) beat Lt.-Col. H. D. Staurope and Capt. J. A. Murray (own 15/1) 6/3, 6/3.

A. O. Brown and S. E. Green (own 4/6) beat Capt. G. H. Addison and Lt. N. J. Williams (own 2/6) 6/2, 6/3.

"C" CLASS SINGLES.

Third Round.
R. H. Wharist (own 2/4) beat B. Johnson (own 15/3) 6/0, 6/4.

Fourth Round.
L. E. Lammett (own 15) beat F. Halyoak (own 8/6) 6/3.

Billiards.

HONGKONG AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.
There was a fair attendance at the Victoria Recreation Club on Monday evening when the amateur billiard championship tournament was commenced.

COOPER v. PHILLIPS.

In the first round Cooper met Phillips and several good openings were not taken advantage of by both players. Phillips made a good break of 40 in the third hundred while Cooper passed his opponent at the end of the fourth hundred and finished an easy winner with the scores:—Cooper, 500; Phillips, 441. The best break for the winner was a 20.

HEALY v. MCKENNA.

This game proved to be more interesting from the commencement, McKenna sitting to work in earnest and compiling numerous breaks of from 10 to 15. Healy was unfortunate and soon fell away when the game was half over scores were called "258 plays 158," in favour of McKenna. Healy made a bold attempt to reduce the long lead of his opponent but could only keep time with him and when the game finished the scores were:—McKenna, 500; Healy, 380. The best breaks were:—McKenna 28, 33 and 22 (2); Healy 28 and 20.

To-night the first game in the Capt.

Baker, A. O. D., and Sapper Heigh, R. E., and the second between Messrs. Bush and Kohn. Both games are expected to be well contested and a large audience is expected.

SOLDIERS' CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The first match in the above tournament was concluded last night, when the Soldiers' Club was packed with spectators. The games were between Capt. Baker and Sgt. Edwards and Pte. Lashbrook and Sgt. Pitt.

Capt. Baker played a slow, but consistent game and easily accounted for Edwards. The scores were:—Baker, 290; Edwards, 180.

Those who were expecting to see a good game between Pitt and Lashbrook must have been disappointed as the policeman took the game in hand from the commencement and won with 147 points to spare. Pitt gave splendid exposition of the game the winning and losing hazards especially being faultless. The best break of the tournament to date is a 38 by Pitt. The full scores are:—

STAFF. POLICE.
Comdr. Smith... 108 Sgt. Doyen... 250
Sgt. Wain... 250 P. C. Healy... 25
Col. Wright... 250 Inspector Withers... 25
Sgt. Huskinson... 250 Sgt. Davis... 250
Capt. Murray... 250 Inspector Langley... 103
Capt. Lyden... 250 P. C. Healy... 245
Pte. Foulkes... 250 Sgt. Baker... 143
Capt. Baker... 250 Sgt. Edwards... 180
Pte. Lashbrook... 103 Sgt. Pitt... 250
S. Sgt. Chisholm... 231 P. C. Bell... 250

English League Football.

First Division.

The best achievement of the afternoon of Saturday March 12th, was that of Middlesbrough, who defeated Preston North End by one goal to all. The Sheffield team were having a day out and both went under. The United visited Aston and played the Villa to a goal-less draw at the interval, but in the second moiety the home team could do nothing wrong and put on five goals. There was no luck attached to the victory of five nil for the Villa, even the most critical admit the exhibition of football to be one of the finest of the season. Bristol City travelled to Liverpool and beat the home team by one to all, the

goal being scored in the last few minutes of the game. The Arsenal at home to Manchester were decidedly unlucky in only sharing the points with a drawn game of no-goals, as they were on the attack most of the time, raining shots in on Moger. It was a bad day for the Southern teams, Sunderland travelled to Chelsea and inflicted a four to one defeat and the 'Spurs fell an easy prey to the County at Notts, losing by three clear goals. Bury did well to share four goals with Newcastle and the other results were:—Everton 1, Bolton 0; Blackburn 2, Notts Forest 2.

Second Division.
Derby County and Manchester City still continue the neck-and-neck race for supremacy. The County have 40 points for 27 matches and the City 39 points for 28 matches. Both were successful on March 12th, Derby scooping two points and two goals at Clapton, and Manchester at home to Birmingham winning by three goals to nil. The surprise of this division was furnished by Grimsby who defeated W. B. Albion by three goals to nil. Glossop continue on their downward career and were easily accounted for at Leicester by three goals to one. Fulham's chances of promotion are now nil and as they could only divide points at Leeds they may yet occupy a lowly position on the Second League table. Other results were:—Bradford 3, Burnley 1; Oldham 2, Gainsboro 0; Hull 2, Blackpool 1; Lincoln 1, Stockport 0; and Wolverhampton, 1, Barnsley 0.

Southern League.
Only two visiting teams in this division secured full points, Leyton defeating the Rovers at Bristol by the only goal of the match and Northampton putting on three goals to Luton's nil. There was only one drawn game, that between West Ham and Southampton, two goals and two points being divided. Although the Commuters suffered defeat at Brighton it was only by the odd goal and better things may be looked for soon. The Railwaymen proved that they can play League and Cup football equally well by defeating new Brighton by four goals to nil and the same applies to Crystal Palace who defeated Millwall by a like score. Other scores were:—Coventry 5, Watford 0; Portsmouth 4, Plymouth 0; Norwich 3, Southend 0; and Exeter 0, Q. P. Rangers 0.

THE PARIS MORGUE.

After many months of discussion the future whereabouts and arrangements of the Paris morgue have been concluded. To Parisians proud of the beauty of their city the morgue has long been an eyesore. The ugly little building in which the bodies of the unclaimed dead of Paris have been kept till burial is to be torn down and the new morgue will be situated at the Place Mazas near the Anstalt bridge. Here a very fine building is to be erected which will not be open to the general public for daily inspection, but only to those who can show some good reason for their presence. The building will be surrounded by spacious grounds beautifully laid out and enclosed and concealed by trees. The new morgue will be known as the Medical-Legal Institute, and gradually the word morgue will be dropped from the French language.

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Japan has in its main islands, exclusive of Formosa and Karafuto, a population of 48,542,738, and the area of its cultivation fields is 21,321 square miles. This is 2,377 people to the square mile.

There are also maintained 2,600,000 cattle and horses, nearly all of which are labouring animals, giving a population of 142 people and seven horses and cattle to each 40 acres of cultivated field.

One old Japanese farmer told an American visitor that he owned and was cultivating 15 mow of land, which is 9½ acres, and that besides his team—a cow and small donkey—he usually fed two pigs.

"This," writes the American in *Farm and Forestry*, "is at the rate of 192 people, 16 cows, 16 donkeys and 32 pigs on a 40-acre farm, and a population density of 3,072 people, 256 cows, 256 donkeys and 512 swine per square mile."

"As early as 1872 she had established an agricultural college. For several years the soil survey of the main island has been completed with large scale maps and is made the basis of values for national prefection and local land taxes. She has an admirable system of road maintenance in effective operation."

"She has many agricultural experiment stations, nine of which we visited, and the equipment at Tokyo for soil investigation is superior to anything yet provided in this country. We have more pretentious buildings, but their resources are more largely used in providing appliances and men for rigid, accurate research work."

SCOTTISH SPORT.

(From Our Scottish Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, March 15.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

SCOTLAND v. WALES.

The Scottish League success chronicled in last letter was followed by the victory of Scotland over Wales at Kilmarnock, the score being 1-0. It is the first of our international proper, so that in "soccer" Scotland may be said to be doing well. There is not any boastful shouting over the win, however; the Welshmen could not have been grudging a draw had they secured it, as they barely did. Neither eleven played well. If we are to have further international wins, it looks as if Anglo-Scots will have to be called upon. The team did not play convincingly, far from it; and except the goal-keeper, there was not a really satisfactory department.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

After four years' possession, Celtic lose the Scottish Cup. In 1906-6, they were run down by the Hearts of Midlothian in an early tie, and since then they have been the holders. Of course a large body of admirers regret the reverse, to the Irishmen; but they can afford to stand down for a year; and they head the figure in the League.

It was Clyde, another Glasgow club, that lowered the Celtic colours. And they deserve their victory. They had some trouble in their ties; it was only after three games they managed to dispose of the Queen's Park and get into the semi-final.

In the game, the Celtic had the better of the start. The first breakage in their ranks took place shortly before half-time; their goal was then the centre of scrimmage after scrumming. In the second half there came a revelation. Not for years has there been seen a Celtic defence so inferior in play. Clyde had more speed and more stamina, and their win, large enough as it was, was a little more than justice. The winners are a solid lot; nothing brilliant in them; still every player had something to recommend him. They certainly caught Celtic at a weak moment, handicapped by various causes; but it would have required Celtic at their brightest to stave off defeat.

The other semi-final, between Hibernians and Dundee, was an altogether different game. The sparkle was absent if the keepers was as prominent; and the impression left was that the ultimate winners will have a stiff row to hoe when they come to meet Clyde. The draw was a fair result. Had either club lost or won, there would have been a distinct element of hardship.

A peculiarity of the play was the absence of ordinary scoring chances. If either Clyde or Dundee win, a new name will fall to be put on the Cup. Dundee are the favourites for the replay with the Hibs. And it looks as if, in the event, Clyde will be the fortunate combination. Dundee, it must be said, have often promised and never kept the promise; and it is a singular thing that this season, when so many of them are weaker than usual, they should have reached the position of semi-finalists.

THE LEAGUE.
In the League, interest has centred round the doings of Falkirk. They drew with the Hibs, suffering from the calls of the international; while their scratch rivals, the Celtic, were allowed to scratch their League engagement because some of their men were required to do battle for their country—hard lines for the Bairns. In their next match, Falkirk, through the intervention of the referee (this matter is still sub judice) got a second chance with the Hamilton Academicals. They scored 3-1. As will be seen from the table below, Falkirk is therefore now level with Celtic, but Celtic has the advantage of one match to the good, and may add to their figures.

Queen's Park again drew with Clyde, which shows how closely they are matched. On the next Saturday, the Amateurs started every one by beating Rangers with a scratch team, 3-2. But they have a curious way of pulling off things with their underdogs.

Rangers drew with Aberdeen. Dundee beat Hamilton Academicals, 2-1. Motherwell rattled up 6-3 against Port Glasgow.

Hearts of Midlothian had 3-1 to Partick Thistle; and went down before Aberdeen, 3-0.

Up to date, the League table stands thus:—

Celtic	25	played 40 points.
Falkirk	25	40
Rangers	23	38
Aberdeen	23	32
St. Mirren	27	28
Dundee	23	27
Clyde	26	27
Hibernians	25	25
Kilmarnock	25	25
Airdrieonians	23	25
Greenock Morton	25	25
Hearts of Midlothian	24	24
Partick Thistle	27	23
Coleraine	23	23
Hamilton Acad.	20	22
Queen's Park	23	19
Port Glasgow	23	19
Athletic	20	11

SECOND DIVISION.

In the Second Division, it is doubtful who will be the champions. The Raith Rovers, with three matches to go, are a point better off than Leith, who have still four engagements. The results to date:—Raith Rovers... 19 played 20 points.
Leith... 18 25
St. Bernard's... 21 25
Aberdeen... 22 22
Vale of Leven... 20 21
Dunbarton... 19 19
Albion Rovers... 21 18
Ayr... 19 17
Cowdenbeath... 19 17
E. Strathguthrie... 18 15
Arthurlie... 18 12
Ayr Parkhouse... 20 9

Rugby.

Rugby season is drawing to an end; the final match will practically be over by now. Scotland are to congratulate themselves on a stand against the Welsh; 3 goals to 2 tries is a good result against the big club. The Welsh then travelled to Manchester to order to get a sound beating and points to 6-2, rather a downcast.

Edinburgh Academicals came off badly against Glasgow University, 34-10 points to 8; and also fell before the Academicals with a big deficit. But the Academicals are a particularly weak team this season. Glasgow Academicals were 13 points to Glasgow University 0.

Kilmarnock Academicals must be glad the season is over; it has been the most disastrous in their history. Their latest defeat was Glasgow University, who got them with 19 to 0.

BORDER LEAGUE.
Jed Forest have beaten H. Wick, and stand at the top in the Border League, but just at the top, Hawick being close up. At some distance behind come Gala, Melrose, Langholm, and Selkirk.

OTHER SPORTS.
In the final tie of the Scottish Amateur Gymnastic Championship, Leith Gymnasium beat Farnham Gymnastic Association, Dundee.

At the 25th annual Cross-Country Championship of Scotland, the results were:—1. A. M'Phee, Clyde, champion; 2. J. Duffy, Edinburgh; 3. T. Jack, Edinburgh Southern. The team results were, 1 and 2, a tie between West of Scotland (holders) and Clyde; 3, Edinburgh; 4, Edinburgh Southern; 5, Edinburgh Southern.

Scottish Ladies equalled masters by scoring 6-2 against the Irish Ladies.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, March 1.

SCOTTISH AERONAUTICAL WEEK.

Scotland has narrowly escaped losing authority to hold an International aviation meeting. There is an International League which fixes all the meetings; this year only two were allotted to Britain; and Scotland, through its Aeronautical Society, secured one of them for Larkhall. All seemed to be going on swimmingly when, suddenly, within less than a week of the time fixed for lodging the guarantee of £10,000 required by the League (£8,000 of which goes towards prizes), it was discovered that only a moiety of the sum had been intimated. Every body had been so satisfied that the Larkhall Mead would be a success that nobody had taken the trouble to send in his name. Of course there ensued hurry and scurry and excitement. The little town of Larkhall raised £2,500; Glasgow Corporation voted £1,000; and as the result of a public meeting in the West the promoters were able to telegraph to the Royal Aero Club London, who control the contests in Britain, that the money had been practically obtained. But only on the afternoon of the last day of grace. And two English towns had the guarantee ready and were awaiting for the honour! The Larkhall Mead in August, however, may now be taken as assured. Its success is so well adapted that not to hold an aviation meeting there would, as an Irishman might say, be flying in the face of Providence. And after the excitement of the last day or two, it is certain there will be no more slackness on the part of those responsible.

AVIATION IN SCOTLAND.

The Scottish Aeronautical Society was formed less than a year ago; but is already an enterprising organisation. They hope to be able to avoid some of the construction of models and the building of full-sized aeroplanes. The West of Scotland, to acquire and fit up a suitable bit of open country for the use of members on trial flights. Larkhall, or some other place in the neighbourhood of Glasgow, will be chosen as headquarters of the Society. The West of Scotland, to acquire and fit up a suitable bit of open country for the use of members on trial flights. Larkhall, or some other place in the neighbourhood of Glasgow, will be chosen as headquarters of the Society. The West of Scotland, to acquire and fit up a suitable bit of open country for the use of members on trial flights. Larkhall, or some other place in the neighbourhood of Glasgow, will be chosen as headquarters of the Society.

We are far behind in automobilism, largely due to almost legislative which makes the use of motor cars almost impossible. But there is no such law with regard to the navigation of the air. It is free to us, and free to all alike. This country will never again have the absolute monopoly in science it once had. Other countries have gone a great deal beyond us, especially in the matter of artificial flight. This science, however, is only in the beginning, and there is time for us, if we have the skill and enterprise, to take a leading part in the movement. Whether or not we will come largely into our daily lives as a sport or as a commercial affair, it will undoubtedly be of very great moment from a military point of view, and this alone should make us up to take more part in the movement. Whether or not we will come largely into our daily lives as a sport or as a commercial affair, it will undoubtedly be of very great moment from a military point of view, and this alone should make us up to take more part in the movement.

BRITISH PREFERENCE WITHOUT FAVOUR.
A novel scheme "for assisting British traders without tariff preference" has been brought before the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce. It is proposed by Mr. Alexander Boyd, jun., Glasgow, that there should be a British Empire Trade Mark Association to take advantage of the powers under section 62 of the Trade Marks Act of 1906. For this purpose a body of promoters is to be formed, and an application made to the Board of Trade for a universal British Empire trade mark. The effect of such a trade mark, it is claimed, would be to stop the foreigner from making further inroads on our home markets; to divert to the colonies the foreign source of food supplies; to prevent the foreign trader from placing names, or trade marks of British places, upon goods which had not been manufactured in the United Kingdom; and at the same time to stop British traders from selling as British goods what were actually of foreign manufacture; and to provide a remedy for excessive unemployment. Mr. Boyd argues that this ambitious scheme would require no legislation; and that the whole matter would be left in the power of the retail consumer, who would be in a position to clearly identify British goods. In the course of some discussion, it was stated that the subject had been before the members of the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce in 1906; and the conclusion then arrived at was that no action should be taken until Mr. Boyd had secured of financial support from traders and the public. Mr. Boyd has not yet submitted any evidence of financial support; but it was agreed to give the scheme the countenance of investigation; and the Chamber mentioned the whole scheme to Committees to consider and report.

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MARSEILLES, Via PORT, POLYNESIAN	BAC	April 12, at 1 p.m.	
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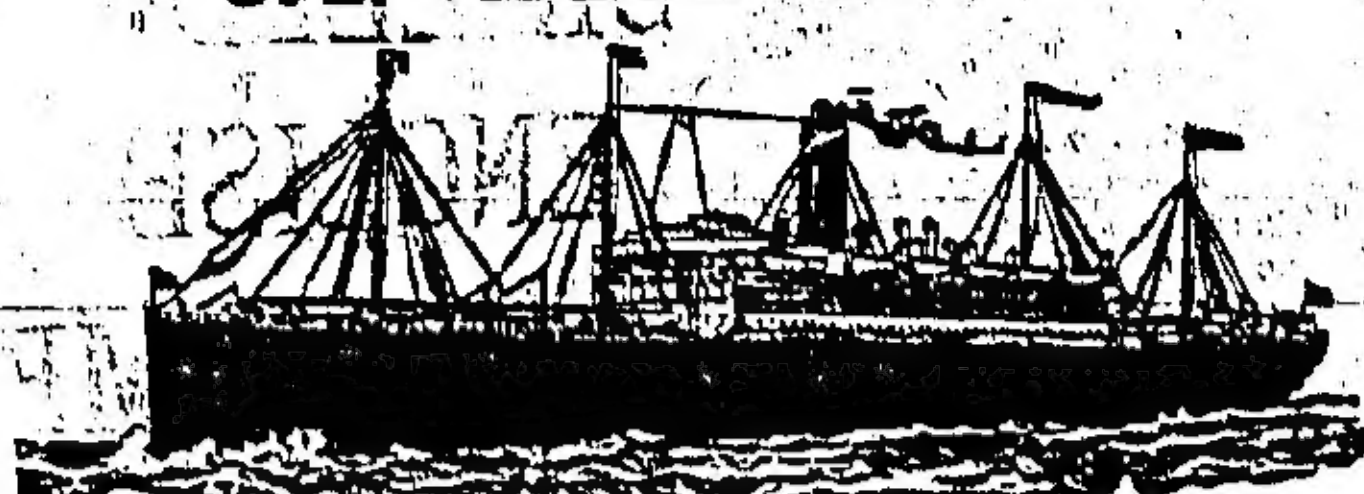
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STEAMER	Tons	SAILING DATE	TO SAIL
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 16th April	at 5 p.m.
TENYO MARU	21,000	SATURDAY, 23rd April	at 1 p.m.
KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 30th April	at 1 p.m.
NIPPON MARU	18,000	SATURDAY, 14th May	at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	SATURDAY, 21st May	at 1 p.m.
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	GOEBEN, Capt. B. Wilhelm.	WEDNESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	COBLENZ, Capt. H. Raggel.	FRIDAY, 22nd April, at Daylight.
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MISSIONS AND POLYGAMY.

A Discussion in England.

The difficult problem whether a missionary working among polygamous tribes should insist on the doctrine of "one man one wife" among his converts or should allow the customs of the tribes to evolve gradually toward monogamy has been raised by Sir Joseph Compton Ricketts, M.P.

As the point was raised at a National Free Church Council reception to some returned missionaries it is not unlikely that any interesting controversy on this subject may spring up among religious workers.

Sir Joseph has given his views on the subject to a Morning Leader representative.

"I pleaded for a freer hand for our missionaries in pagan lands," said Sir Joseph. "Very often the British Churchman doesn't realise the difficulties which missionaries have to face in regard to heathen races, low down in the scale of civilisation, whose moral consciousness doesn't reach anything like our European standards. This question of polygamy is one which has caused much heart-searching among those who are actually informed of the conditions of West Africa; and the question is asked, Should polygamy in a native convert be a bar against membership of a Christian Church? Some people at home say 'Yes,' others say 'No.'"

As a result of free and frank conversations with missionaries, especially a distinguished missionary who recently returned from Africa, Sir Joseph holds that it is quite impossible to judge the West African native by European standards; their moral system is centuries and centuries behind ours. "The wholesale suppression of polygamy—apart altogether from the question of what is to become of the surplus wives—would, I am assured, be followed by a state of immorality infinitely more objectionable than polygamy. For reasons which it is impossible to discuss in detail in the Press or on the platform, a sudden change from polygamy would probably be deeply injurious to the social and personal conditions of the native woman. You cannot suddenly graft the whole morality of a 2,000 years' old civilisation upon heathen living in the midst of Africa. It takes time to uproot long-established racial customs among savage tribes."

"The ideal is monogamy, of course," Sir Joseph maintained. "and our missionaries always uphold that ideal, but it seems to me that we must wait for this better and higher morality to evolve among the natives, aided by all the encouragement which the missionary can give to the movement."

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In the meantime, Sir Joseph urged, the Churches could give such recognition within the Christian Church as would secure membership for the convert, even though they do not abandon polygamy—though possibly a distinction might be made between the man who can maintain the higher standard, monogamy, and the weaker man, who remains a polygamist.

"We have to recognise," he added, "that the lower plane of morals on which these natives live is not a conscious indulgence in sin or immorality."

The best solution, Sir Joseph believes, is to leave the problem to the missionary, the man on the spot, and for the Churches not to take any stand on the matter, as a rigid policy upon polygamy might prove a very serious hindrance to the missionary's work among natives.

The views put forward by Sir Joseph were received with a considerable amount of assent at the missionary gathering, and Sir Joseph is assured that many African missionaries hold the same views that he does.

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SHANGHAI	CHENGO	April 10, Daylight.
CEBU & ILILO	SUNGKANG	April 11, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	CHENGO	April 12, at 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENGO	April 14, at 4 p.m.
TSINGTAI, WINGHAI, CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	NANCHANG	April 15, at 5 p.m.
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SINGAPORE, PENANG, JOLOMBO and PORT SAID	KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope, Tons 9000.	WEDNESDAY, 27th April, at Daylight.
	IYO MARU, Capt. T. L. Harrison, Tons 1000.	WEDNESDAY, 11th May, at Daylight.

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE	INABA MARU, Capt. K. Kawan, Tons 7000.	TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon.
TELE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, KAIKAI, and YOKO	TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 7000.	TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. K. Kori, Tons 7000.	FRIDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakino, Tons 6500.	FRIDAY, 13th April, at Noon.
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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
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Hongkong, November 1, 1909.

